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SUBJ: NEGOTIATIONS WITH LABOR UNIONS AT LAJES

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1. FONMIN MEDEIROS FERREIRA JULY 30 RAISED WITH ME SUBJECT OF LABOR NEGOTIATIONS AT LAJES BASE. I SPOKE TO HIM ALONG SAME LINES LABOR ATTACHE HAD SPOKEN WITH LABOR MINISTER (REFTEL). I EMPHASIZED THAT THIS WAS GOP PROBLEM, BUT THAT IN MY VIEW BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS WITHOUT INVOLVEMENT OF PORTUGUESE AIR FORCE WOULD SEEM TO BE AN ABDICATION OF GOP SOVEREIGNTY. I THOUGHT THE MATTER COULD BE EASILY RESOLVED BY SETTING UP A PROCESS WHICH INVOLVED ALL THREE PARTIES, THE UNIONS, COMUSFORAZ AND THE PAF AIR ZONE COMMANDER.

2. MEDEIROS FERREIRA AGREED AND SAID THAT THE GOP POSITION HENCEFORTH WOULD BE THAT NEGOTIATIONS ON LABOR MATTERS SHOULD INVOLVE ALL THREE PARTIES. I SAID GENERAL WIGLEY WOULD BE DRAFTING A PAPER TO REFLECT THIS PROCESS. I AGREED TO CONVEY THE PAPER TO MEDEIROS FERREIRA UPON ITS COMPLETION.

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